

At the Regular Meeting of the Greenville County Board of Supervisors, held on Monday, October 1, 2012, with Closed Session beginning at 4:00 P.M., and Regular Session beginning at 6:00 P.M., at the Golden Leaf Commons Building, 1300 Greenville County Circle, Emporia, Virginia.

Present Peggy R. Wiley, Chairman
 Michael W. Ferguson, Vice-Chairman
 James C. Vaughan
 Dr. Margaret T. Lee

Chairman Wiley called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

In Re: Closed Session

Mr. Whittington, County Administrator, stated that Staff recommended the Board go into Closed Session, Section 2.2-3711 (a) 1) Personnel, 3) Acquisition and Disposition of Real Property, 5) Industrial Development and 7) Legal Matters.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to go into Closed Session, as recommended by Staff. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Regular Session

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to go into Regular Session. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Certification of Closed Meeting – Resolution #13-45

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to adopt the following Resolution. A roll call vote was taken, as follows: Supervisor Ferguson, aye; Supervisor Lee, aye; Supervisor Vaughan, aye; and Chairman Wiley, aye.

RESOLUTION #13-45
CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Board of Supervisors has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Greenville County Board of Supervisors that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Greenville County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Greenville County Board of Supervisors.

Chairman Wiley recessed the meeting until the Conclusion of the Water and Sewer Authority Meeting.

Chairman Wiley reconvened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the Golden Leaf Commons Building.

In Re: Approval of Agenda

Mr. Whittington, County Administrator, stated that Staff recommended approval of the agenda with no added items.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to approve the Agenda as submitted. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Use of Emporia/Greenville Regional Airport by the Navy

Appointments were set with Charlie Grigg, Airport Commission Board Member, Joey Doyle, Farm Bureau Board of Directors and then a public comments session.

Mr. Charlie Grigg gave a status report regarding the touch and go landing project with the Navy. He stated that he was present to give true facts regarding the touch and go landing project and that interim measures were made regarding the project to address the capacity and shortfall of the project. He then stated that the Airport Commission received an RFP from the Navy dated February 25, 2011 and that the Commission's reason for submitting the proposal was to enhance the financial condition of the airport and the economy of the City and County. He also stated that the FAA will be requiring the Airport runway to be extended in the direction of the James

River Junction and that the maintenance of the airport and proposed capital projects within the next four years would cost approximately \$6,918,000. He also stated that the City and County funded the Commission approximately \$120,000 annually with some additional funding provided by the Department of Aviation. Mr. Grigg stated that there would only be about three to five planes at one time in a holding practice session with one to two planes flying about 45 to 50 minutes at a time, then landing and taking right back off before being released to carrier. He stated that it would be done at night starting about 30 minutes after sunset. Mr. Grigg stated that from the February 25th date, he only received five phone calls regarding the project and that about 80 people attended the first meeting to voice their opposition of the project. He stated that citizens main concerns were the noise and the mediation by the noise and that only one house would be affected during the flight testing. He also stated that it was discussed with the Navy and everyone was in agreement to move the holding pattern. He also stated that only a two/three day notice would be given regarding the flight test and hopefully, everyone would be home to hear it. Mr. Grigg stated that it would only be five planes once an hour in the holding pattern.

Mr. Whittington, County Administrator, addressed Mr. Grigg with the following questions:

- Could the Airport Commission hold another meeting to give detailed information, plus have maps and other significant information available for public view?
- What was the approval process used by the Airport Commission and was it valid? He then referenced a contract among the City, County and Airport Commission stating that approval is required from the Board of Supervisors and City Council.
- Are any Public Hearings being scheduled?
- Was the touch and go landing project similar to the OLF project.

Mr. Grigg stated that a Public Hearing could be held and that the touch and go landing project was by no means similar to the OLF project.

Joey Doyle of James River Junction addressed the Board of Supervisors thanking them for the opportunity to be heard and that he lived 7/10 of a mile from the Airport. Mr. Doyle stated that he was in opposition of the project and that he had spoken with Supervisor Margaret Lee earlier regarding the impact it would have on the quality of life in the community. He also stated that the Farm Bureau Board of Directors had signed a resolution not to support the touch and go landing project. Mr. Doyle stated that when the Commission was confronted, the citizens only received vague information and that no one wanted to listen to their concerns. He stated that when the question was asked about the local official's position on the situation, the response was that the Airport Commission did not have to acquire approval from the local officials and did not have to answer to anyone. Mr. Doyle stated that no public hearings were held, not enough information was given out and that the Navy would be closing on citizens comments October 5, 2012. He then stated that Mr. Grigg said that there would be minimum noise impact; but after reading the report produced by the Navy, the noise level would be significant. Mr. Doyle also stated that with the investment that the citizens and local officials had made in the Mega Site project, shutting down the airport for the touch and go landings would have a devastating impact on potential clients. He then asked that the Board of Supervisors be a good neighbor to Sussex

and Southampton County by not supporting the Navy's request and that the Board of Supervisors pass a resolution to that fact.

A public comment session was held at this time.

Mr. Ron White, Representative for Congressman Forbes, addressed the Board of Supervisors and citizens on Congressman Forbes behalf. He thanked the Board for giving him the opportunity to speak and then he read a memorandum written by Congressman Forbes, a copy of which is attached, stating that it had been his long standing position that a Navy Landing Field not be forced on communities. In the memorandum, Congressman Forbes stated that he hoped the Airport Commission would hold a public hearing and that the local officials of the City of Emporia and Greensville County would prepare a resolution describing their position regarding the Navy Landing Field. Mr. White stated that he would be available for the citizens if they had any questions and that he had copies of Mr. Forbes memorandum for distribution.

Mr. Linwood Matthews of Courtland Road, addressed the Board and thanked them for their time and stated that the citizens could not get an answer regarding when the flight testing was scheduled or if flight testing would be done. He stated that he hoped there would be another meeting before the closing date of October 5.

Mrs. Lori Poole of Southampton County addressed the Board stating that about 30 acres of Southampton County would be affected by the Navy Landing Field. She stated that the landing field was something that her community did not want and that they did not want to be intruded on by the Navy. She also stated that she and her husband moved to the County so that they could have peace and quiet and asked that Mr. Grigg move it to his neighborhood. She asked if the percentage of the planes coming into the airport was for business or bringing in business or was percentage for leisure.

Reverend Clifton Threat of Oak Grove Baptist Church stated that he was in opposition to the landing field because it may interfere with church services on Sunday. Rev. Threat stated that he hoped the Board heard the citizens concerns tonight and that it was a slap in the face for the Airport Commission to state that they answered to no one.

Ben Lee of the Adams Grove Community stated that the Board should have received information from the Southampton County Board of Supervisors emphasizing that they were in opposition of the landing field and he hoped that the Greensville County Board of Supervisors were also in opposition of the landing field. Mr. Lee indicated that the Commission was stating that there would not be a big impact on the community but after his research, there would be about 20,000 landings per year, equaling about 55 plane landings per day. He stated that the community did not want the landing field and that the number of landings per day/year was a big concern. He then requested that the Board of Supervisors approve a resolution opposing the landing field and that the City of Emporia do the same.

Clint Slate of Beech Tree Lane in Emporia addressed the Board and stated that he was opposed to the use of the Airport as a Navy landing field. He emphasized that a majority of the people elected the Board of Supervisors and the majority could also not elect them for another

term if they did not represent the community. Mr. Slate stated that the citizens were not getting a good response from the Commission/Navy and that everyone was entitled to know the facts. He then stated that the citizens would like to see the Board of Supervisors enforce the contract between the City and County creating the Airport Commission and that he hoped everyone present tonight would also be present at the City of Emporia Council meeting on Tuesday night to express their opposition to the landing field.

Todd Allen of Pine Log Road addressed the Board of Supervisors stating that his family's farm was in the landing field area. He stated that he was in opposition of the landing field and that the closure of the airport due to the landings would have significant impact on the Mega Site project. Mr. Allen stated that the taxpayers would not be very happy if the project was approved.

Joan Harrell of Southampton County addressed the Board. She described the proposed noise levels that would be impacting the community, referring to the information distributed by the Navy in the informational meeting. She indicated that it would be less expensive for the Navy to use the airport facility at Wallop's Island rather than the Emporia/Greenville Regional Airport.

Charles Casper of Purdy Road stated that he very much opposed the landing field and the noise that it would bring to the community.

Herbert Lewis of Rolling Acres Road addressed the Board stating that the noise level not only affected the elderly and that this was the time to oppose the landing field because it would also affect our young people's hearing in the future. He stated that he was very much opposed to the landing field.

Mr. Charles Kasper then addressed the Board stating that he was in opposition to the use of the Airport by the Navy.

Mr. Parham addressed the Board of Supervisors stating that everyone was so concerned over the noise level but should also be concerned over the impacts on land and house values. He stated that it was a big issue for the Navy and Airport Commission to not get information out to the citizens earlier and now the project was almost implemented. Mr. Parham stated that there were a lot of negative impacts with the use of the landing field for the Board of Supervisors and citizens not to be informed until the project was implemented and that no benefits to the County or citizens had been produced.

Theresa Claiborne stated that it was about the third time that the Sunnyside Road community would be affected by a project without the knowledge of the citizens. She stated that her community was very much in opposition of the project.

Mr. Whittington addressed the citizens stating that he appreciated the citizens attending the meeting and making their opinions known to the Supervisors. He requested the Board authorize the Staff prepare a letter to the Navy stating the concerns of the citizens that were voiced that evening and that the letter be sent to the Navy prior to the October 5 deadline. Mr. Whittington stated that a copy of the letter be sent to the Independent Messenger and Emporia News to be displayed on their website. He also stated that he hoped the Navy would set up an

additional informational meeting and that it would be advertised. He then stated that the Board of Supervisors would conduct at least one public hearing in conjunction with the Airport Commission and that the County confer with the City of Emporia.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to accept Staff's recommendations. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Approval of Consent Agenda

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended approval of the Consent Agenda.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to approve the Consent Agenda containing the following items. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

Minutes from the Meeting of September 17, 2012.

Budgetary Matters:

Budgetary Matters consisting of the following: Fund #001 – Journal Voucher #15, in the amount of \$4,196.94; Fund #012 - Budget Amendment Resolution #13-46, in the amount of \$905.60 and Budget Amendment Resolution #13-47, in the amount of \$9,914.15; Fund #013 - Budget Amendment Resolution #13-48, in the amount of \$28.50; Fund #017 – Budget Amendment Resolution #13-49, in the amount of \$4,621.00 and Fund #018 – Budget Amendment Resolution #13-50, in the amount of \$1,337.00, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Warrants:

Approval of Accounts Payable for October 1, 2012, in the amount of \$476,544.91

Approval of Payroll for September 30, 2012, in the amount of \$352,500.74

In Re: Road Matters

Mr. Howell Godfrey and Mr. Kevin Gunn with VDOT addressed the Board and reported on the following:

- Independence Church Road – Supervisor Ferguson stated that he had spoken with residents regarding the work on the road and he looked at the road himself and found it to be very dissatisfying. He stated that the edges were not straight, hill not cut down and had asked a representative from VDOT to come out and look at it. Mr. Ferguson stated that the VDOT representative, Mr. Dey, stated that the road was done at minimum standards.
- Pot Holes – Mr. Godfrey stated that the contractor and VDOT workforce were still working throughout the county to fix potholes.
- Grass Cutting – Mr. Godfrey stated that the grass cutting was bid by state procurement laws and posted statewide. He stated that anyone could bid on the project.
- Cleanouts – Supervisor Ferguson stated that his constituents were complaining about the ditches and cleanouts. Mr. Godfrey stated that cleanouts were continuing with the contractors.
- Iluka – Supervisor Ferguson asked if any negotiations had been made with Iluka concerning the relocation of Independence Church Road from the bridge to the Brink Road. Mr. Godfrey stated that he had not heard anything as of yet.
- Brickyard Road – Mr. Godfrey reported that the black water problem was coming from CSX side of the railroad and he would continue to try and contact someone to get the problem fixed.
- Meadow Bank Road – Chairman Wiley stated that it was hard to hold a vehicle in the road. She stated that it was one section of the road that was causing the problems.
- Little Lowground Road – Mr. Godfrey stated that Kevin would be taking care of the problem.
- Hwy 58 at Woodruff Store – Chairman Wiley stated that the highway department had asphalted the road and if you crossed over from Woodruff Store, there was a bump that had not been finished/drop-off. Kevin stated that he had talked with Jerry regarding the problem and Jerry stated that the department would be coming back to take care of all shoulders that had a drop off.
- Emporia Office – Mr. Godfrey stated that Emporia would be receiving two new employees to help with road work.
- Emporia Local Office – Supervisor Ferguson asked if someone would be located at the local office to handle phone calls. Mr. Godfrey stated that he had not heard anything about that issue. Supervisor Ferguson stated that the automated machine had a problem understanding which areas you were trying to make a complaint.
- Doodlum Road - Chairman Wiley asked if there was an update regarding cutting down the hill. Kevin stated that he would talk with Joe or Jerry.

In Re: Ms. Marva J. Richardson Dunn, Special Projects/Fund Raising Chairperson with the Community Youth Center

Mr. Whittington stated that Ms. Dunn was not able to be at the meeting due to illness and then requested that the Board of Supervisors defer the item until the next meeting.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to defer the item until the next meeting. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Citizens Comments

Mr. Whittington asked that anyone who wished to address the Board of Supervisors to come forward and state their name and address for the record.

Mr. Lin Pope, Director of Planning, addressed the Board of Supervisors stating that County Staff would be applying for a Planning Grant for the Phase V Washington Park Project. He stated that a Public meeting would be held on October 16, at 7:00 p.m. at the Hicksford Voting Precinct on Drybread Road and that a management team would be established at that time.

In Re: Revision of the FY2013 Budget for Southside Community Corrections

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended that the revised budget be adopted for the Southside Community Corrections.

Supervisor Lee moved, seconded by Supervisor Ferguson, to approve the revisions to the FY2013 Budget for Southside Community Corrections. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Civil Penalties

Mr. Pope stated that every year the Board received complaints regarding site violation and time given for clean up. He stated that state code would allow staff to issue tickets and place a fine on violations. Mr. Pope stated that he was not asking for any action tonight but if the Board was interested, Staff would draft an ordinance regarding weed, trash and debris and would schedule a Public Hearing.

There was a consensus among the Board of Supervisors to set up a Public Hearing regarding Civil Penalties.

In Re: Virginia Pork Festival

Mr. Malcolm King and Mark addressed the Board of Supervisors respectfully requesting that the Board of Supervisors forgive the past loans.

Supervisor Ferguson stated that he was surprised that the representatives of the Pork Festival was requesting that the Board of Supervisors forgive the outstanding debts and that he personally would need to think about it further. He stated that the money was loaned to the Virginia Pork Festival in good-faith with the intentions that it would be repaid.

Mark and Mr. King stated that ticket sales had declined and that if the Board did not honor the request, the Virginia Pork Festival would probably not be held next year. Mr. King stated that they would also be making the request to the City of Emporia.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to defer the item until the next meeting. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: FY2013 Southside Allocation Resolution #13-51

Mrs. Natalie Slate, Director of Economic Development, addressed the Board of Supervisors stating that Greenville County was actively marketing two industrial clients who had shown serious interest in the MAMaC site. She stated that the funds would be used to better ready the site as requested for evaluation by potential clients by mulching the MAMaC property which had been timbered for better curbside appeal. She also stated that Staff was requesting that the Board of Supervisors authorize Staff to apply to the Tobacco Commission Economic Allocation Committee for a grant of up to \$73,584 to assist in the \$81,000 project. Mrs. Slate further stated that Greenville County would have to commit to a 10% match of up to \$7,416. She then stated that Staff was also requesting that Mr. Whittington be authorized to sign and submit appropriate documents for the submittal of the Economic Allocation Grant Application. Mrs. Slate then asked approval of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 13-51
TOBACCO ECONOMIC ALLOCATION GRANT
MAMAC SITE READINESS SERVICES

WHEREAS Greenville County is actively marketing to two potential industrial clients who have shown serious interest in the MAMaC site; and,

WHEREAS funds will be used to better ready the site, as requested, for evaluation by potential clients by mulching the MAMaC property which has been timbered for better curbside appeal; and,

WHEREAS the County has moved this to its highest priority; and,

WHEREAS the Greenville County Board of Supervisors wishes to apply to the Tobacco Commission Economic Allocation Committee for a grant of up to \$73,584 to assist in the \$81,000 project; and,

WHEREAS Greenville County commits the 10% match of up to \$7,416; and

WHEREAS the economic development of Greenville County is a priority of the Board of Supervisors.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Greenville County Board of Supervisors wishes to apply for up to \$73,584 through the Tobacco Commission Economic Allocation Grant for mulching services on the MAMaC project site.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that K. David Whittington is hereby authorized to sign and submit appropriate documents for the submittal of this Economic Allocation Grant Application.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to accept Staff's recommendations and approval of Resolution #13-51. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: FY2013 Mega Site Resolution #13-52

Mrs. Slate addressed the Board stating that McCullum Sweeney certified the MAMaC site on January 28, 2008 and that the Mega Site remained the only mega site certified by McCullum Sweeney in the Commonwealth of Virginia as of this date. She stated that the mega site in Southside Virginia would have a transformation impact on the economic conditions of the county of Greenville through the creation of new jobs, higher wages and increased business activity within the region. Mrs. Slate stated that Greenville County had submitted a grant application to VDOT for Otterdam Road engineering in the amount of \$500,000 and along with the VDOT grant, the Regional Industrial Facilities Authority had committed up to \$111,000 as a match for the much needed project. She further stated that the Greenville County Board of Supervisors wished to apply for \$6,108,000 of Virginia Tobacco Commission Special Project Funds for property acquisition, right of way acquisition and the clearing and mulching of additional acreage of the Mid-Atlantic Advanced Manufacturing Center. Mrs. Slate stated that Staff was also requesting the Mr. Whittington be authorized to sign and submit appropriate documents for the submittal of the application and accept responsibility for the accuracy of the

application and the appropriate use of funds, should they be granted. She then requested approval of the following resolution.

RESOLUTION #13-52
MID-ATLANTIC ADVANCED MANUFACTURING CENTER
“MAMaC”

WHEREAS the Mid-Atlantic Advanced Manufacturing Center is located at Interstate 95, Exit 13 in Greensville County approximately three miles north of the City of Emporia along the CSX mainline rail; and,

WHEREAS, McCallum Sweeney certified the MAMaC site on January 28, 2008 and the Mega Site remains as the only mega site certified by McCallum Sweeney in the Commonwealth of Virginia as of this date; and,

WHEREAS, the development of a mega site in Southside Virginia will have a transformational impact on the economic conditions of the County of Greensville through the creation of new jobs, higher wages and increased business activity within the region; and,

WHEREAS, Greensville County has created a Regional Industrial Facilities Authority with the County of Mecklenburg and the City of Emporia for the development of MAMaC; and,

WHEREAS Greensville County has submitted a grant application to VDOT for Otterdam Road engineering in the amount of \$500,000; and,

WHEREAS along with the VDOT grant, the Regional Industrial Facilities Authority has committed up to \$111,000 as a match for the much needed project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Greensville County Board of Supervisors wishes to apply for \$6,108,000 of Virginia Tobacco Commission Special Project Funds for property acquisition, right of way acquisition and the clearing and mulching of additional acreage of the Mid-Atlantic Advanced Manufacturing Center.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that K. David Whittington is hereby authorized to sign and submit appropriate documents for the submittal of this application and accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the application and the appropriate use of funds, should they be granted.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to accept Staff's recommendations and approval of Resolution #13-52. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Industrial Development Authority Board Appointment

Chairman Wiley opened the floor for nomination of an individual to serve on the Industrial Development Authority Board beginning October 1, 2012 until September 30, 2016.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, the reappointment of Traci Morris. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: MAMaC Regional Industrial Facility Authority

Mrs. Slate requested that the Board of Supervisors appoint two individuals to serve on the MAMaC Regional Industrial Facility Authority Board. She stated that it was an organization created to develop the mega site.

Chairman Wiley opened the floor for nominations of two individuals to serve on the MAMaC Regional Industrial Facility Authority Board.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, the appointment of K. David Whittington and Natalie Slate. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Miscellaneous Matters

Various Departmental Reports and Staff Work Programs were prepared for the Board's review and comments.

Chairman Wiley asked if anyone had any questions. There were none.

In Re: Adjournment

With there being no further business, Supervisor Lee moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to adjourn the meeting. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

Peggy R. Wiley, Chairman

K. David Whittington, Clerk